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Subject: RE: Support Arms Sales for a Key Ally, Bahrain

Good morning,

In case you missed it, I wanted to flag the below email from last week asking your boss to vote no or vote to table S.J.Res.20 and S.J.Res.22 if they come up for a vote on the Senate floor. Both resolutions, introduced by Senator Rand Paul, would disapprove of proposed arms sales to the Kingdom of Bahrain. Attached is a one-pager that justifies these arms sales based on U.S. national security interests.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,
Mark

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BGR Group represents the Embassy of Bahrain. I wanted to call your attention to S.J.Res.20 and S.J.Res.22, both introduced by Senator Rand Paul, which would disapprove of proposed arms sales to the Kingdom of Bahrain.

We strongly urge your boss to vote no on the resolutions or vote to table them should they come up on the Senate floor for a vote.

Bahrain has been a key partner of the United States for many years, hosting the U.S. Navy's 5th Fleet. Named a Major Non-NATO Ally in 2002, the country has helped the United States counter threats posed by Iran, ISIS, and piracy in the Persian Gulf.

As a member of the Global Coalition to Defeat ISIS, Bahrain has been a leader in countering ISIS' financial network and propaganda, and conducted airstrikes against the terrorist organization.

Particularly now that tensions have increased in the Persian Gulf, this resolution would be counterproductive to U.S. and our allies' security interests in the region and undermine our relationship with a longtime ally.

Attached is a one-pager, which justifies these arms sales based on U.S. national security interests.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions and want more information on the U.S.-Bahrain relationship.

Thanks,

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